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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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Kaname MIWA, et al.

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For: SENSOR ELEMENT AND GAS SENSOR

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the outstanding Office Action dated March 12, 2002, three times extended from June 12, 2002 to September 12, 2002 by the filing of an appropriate Petition and payment for an extension of time submitted herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

16. (Twice amended) A sensor element comprising negative and positive electrodes disposed on the same side of a solid electrolyte substrate and a circuit for applying an electric potential between said negative electrode and said positive electrode, wherein

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